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Re: U.S. Patent Application to be filed under 35 U.S.C. §111 claiming priority from Federal Republic of Germany Patent

Application No. P 103 14 634, filed April 1, 2003.

INVENTOR:

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TITLE:

A BEVERAGE BOTTLING PLANT FOR FILLING BOTTLES WITH A LIQUID BEVERAGE FILLING MATERIAL, AND AN EASILY CLEANED LIFTING DEVICE IN A BEVERAGE BOTTLING PLANT

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Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

Please find enclosed herewith the following documents relating to the above-cited case:

- (X) 1. the above-identified patent application having 54 pages and 20 claims;
- (X) 2. an unsigned Supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney document;
- (X) 3. 5 sheets of drawings; and
- (X) 4. a stamped, self-addressed postcard, return of which is requested to acknowledge receipt of the enclosed documents.

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